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a centering member radially separated from the clip; and  
at least one web joining the centering member to the clip, the at least one web being situated near the end section of one of the two limbs of the clip.

11. (New) The snap ring of claim 10, wherein the centering member is configured as a centering ring having a center bore, the centering ring being positioned approximately concentrically with respect to the circumferential groove when the snap ring is installed in the circumferential groove.

12. (New) The snap ring of claim 10, wherein the clip encircles the centering member, and the snap ring is configured as an internal ring for a radially inwardly open circumferential groove.

13. (New) The snap ring of claim 10, wherein the end sections of the limbs of the clip are formed as lugs.

14. (New) The snap ring of claim 13, wherein the lugs have flat surfaces mutually opposing one another, the flat surfaces being used as mutual stop faces.

15. (New) The snap ring of claim 14, wherein the flat surfaces of the lugs are aligned radially with respect to a midpoint of the snap ring.

16. (New) A method of axially fixing a sealing ring in position, the sealing ring including at least one sealing lip which is provided for making contact on a shaft, the method comprising:

snapping a snap ring into a circumferential groove, the snap ring including:

a substantially annular clip having two limbs, each limb having an end section;

a centering member radially separated from the clip; and

at least one web joining the centering member to the clip, the at least one web being situated near the end of one of the two limbs of the clip; and

positioning the sealing ring in a position axially adjacent to the snap ring.